

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first whole paragraph on page 6 of the specification, which extends from line 2 to line 8, with the following, wherein added material is underlined and deleted material is shown by strikethrough:

Further, in the control device, the rewriter further comprises remapping program storing unit for previously storing a data remapping program. The remapping program is to perform remapping current data used by the current control program so that the current data can be used by the new control program. When executing the data remapping program, the rewriter uses data remapping information received from the host computer together with this new control program.

Please replace the first whole paragraph on page 15 of the specification, which extends from line 1 to line 9, with the following, wherein added material is underlined and deleted material is shown by strikethrough:

Host computer 200 also has a PHS terminal just like control device 100, and is connected via communication channel 300, which is a PHS network. Here, a plurality of vending machines 1 is connected to one host computer 200 through PHS network 300. A schedule for sending the new control program is stored in host computer 200, and the new control program is sent in accordance with this schedule. For example, the date on which the regular price of a vending product changes, or the date of the commencement of the sale of a new product are is incorporated as a schedule.